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SUBJECT:FUTURE OF SOUTH AFRICA ON IAEA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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1. DEPT APPROVES TALKING POINTS FOR DEMARCHE SET FORTH IN
REF A.
2. FOR VIENNA, PARIS AND BONN: REQUEST THAT MISSION AND
EMBASSIES INFORM FRENCH AND GERMANS OF PROPOSED DEMARCHE AND
ENCOURAGE THEM TO JOIN IT. MISSION SHOULD ALSO INFORM UK,

AUSTRALIAN AND CANADIAN MISSIONS OF THIS ACTION. DEPT BELIEVES THAT IN VIEW OF FRENCH AND GERMAN INVOLVEMENT IN DEMARCHE ON NAMIBIA AND ACTIVITIES IN THE UN REGARDING SOUTH AFRICA THAT FRENCH AND GERMANS SHOULD BE ASKED IF THEY ALSO WISH TO APPROACH SAG ON FUTURE OF SOUTH AFRICA IN IAEA BOARD OF GOVERNORS. WE WOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN AGREED TEXT, BUT ONLY SEEK AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLE OF NEED TO MAKE DEMARCHE. PRECISELY WHAT FRENCH AND GERMANS SAY WOULD BE LEFT TO THEM. REQUEST THE FRENCH AND GERMANS TO GIVE US RESPONSE SOONEST REGARDING THEIR DECISION TO JOIN DEMARCHE. DEPARTMENT REPEATING RELEVANT CABLES ON THIS QUESTION TO PARIS AND BONN.

3. FOR PRETORIA: DEPT CONCURS WITH MISSION SUGGESTION THAT EACH COUNTRY SHOULD HAVE FLEXIBILITY IN MAKING THIS DEMARCHE. WE DO NOT REPEAT NOT WANT DEMARCHE DELIVERED JOINTLY BY AMBASSADORS AS WAS DONE ON NAMIBIA. AMBASSADOR SHOULD COORDINATE WITH WESTERN COLLEAGUES PRIOR TO INDIVIDUAL APPROACHES TO SAG, PREFERABLY FM BOTHA. EMBASSY SHOULD WAIT FOR RESPONSE FROM FRANCE AND GERMANY BEFORE APPROACHING SAG. IF NO RESPONSE RECEIVED BY MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 18, EMBASSY SHOULD PROCEED WITH DEMARCHE. HOWEVER, DEMANDS OF NAMIBIA EXERCISE SHOULD TAKE PRIORITY. EMBASSY SHOULD USE ITS DISCRETION IN IMPLEMENTING THIS INSTRUCTION IN MANNER WHICH WILL ASSIST RATHER THAN COMPLICATE OBJECTIVES RELATING TO NAMIBIA.

4. FOR PRETORIA: EMBASSY MAY USE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL
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TALKING POINT RE NPT: IN HIS APRIL 7 STATEMENT, PRESIDENT CARTER IDENTIFIED THE NPT AS AN IMPORTANT PART OF US NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY AND SAG SHOULD BE AWARE THAT ADHERENCE TO THE TREATY IS LIKELY TO BE AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN FUTURE NUCLEAR COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

5. FOR LONDON, CANBERRA AND OTTAWA: EMBASSIES REQUESTED TO INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS OF DEPT APPROVAL OF TALKING POINTS, EXPLAIN REASONS PER PARA 2 FOR APPROACH TO FRENCH AND GERMANS, AND REQUEST THEM ALSO TO URGE FRENCH AND GERMAN PARTICIPATION IN APPROACHES TO SOUTH AFRICA.

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